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KINDNESS.

When we see a person ill-treated and kicked when they are down, and not even a kind word spoken to comfort and cheer their hearts, we feel to deeply sympathize with them and our heart pours forth the strain, 'O Lord how long shall the poor and meek of the earth suffer by being trampled upon by the haughty?' The Lord is no respecter of persons, and looks on all mankind alike, as long as they do right and keep His commandments. We should read good books, and strive to gain all the knowledge and intelligence that is in our power to obtain. Do as you would be done by, and if you are in the habit of doing or saying anything against your neighbor, stop a moment and think! 'now, if I was in his situation, would I like for him to do so to me?' If you are honest, your conscience soon tells you how you would like to be treated under like circumstances. Then govern yourself accordingly, and always remember too, to think twice before you speak. Kindness should always be cultivated, for 'a soft answer turneth away wrath'.

A DREAM.

A Preacher, lately had a dream. There came to him a very gentlemanly man, and said 'Mr. Preacher, I have been commissioned by his Majesty to conduct you into the kingdom and royal city, where a place has already been prepared for you.' 'Who are you?' Said Mr. P. 'I am Dives of whom you have doubtless heard,' said the man. 'But,' said Mr. P. 'where are you going to take me to.' 'To hell of course.' 'But I had come to believe there was no hell, and so preached. It was a terrible mistake,' said the Preacher! somewhat frightened. 'Come! Said Dives, and both getting into a magnificent carriage drawn by four of the most splendid horses Mr. P. had ever seen, they pranced over a road covered with Ivory. The sky was clear, and the air

balmy: the ride was exhilarating, and Mr. P. said, 'Well, friend D. you are surely deceiving me, *this can't be hell*. 'O! yes this is hell.' 'Well, if this is hell, its good enough for me, its ahead of earth'. After a few hours ride, they arrived at a Railway station, constructed of the purest white marble, at the rear of which was a lovely grove, sweet music in the air, and millions of birds of the most brilliant plumage, warbling their notes in its branches. Dives took the preacher out into the grove, and a repast, such as only kings can sit down to, was spread upon a table before him.

After the repast, the rarest of wines were set out before the preacher, and he drank freely. 'That wine' said Dives, 'is of the vintage of the year after the flood, and was manufactured by old father Noah'. 'I don't blame the old fellow for getting a *little set up* on such wine as that. *If this is hell!* its good enough for me', said the preacher. He was then shown a palace set apart for him, it was more magnificent than earthly royalty: there was a cathedral close at hand for him to preach in, whenever he should desire: troops of servants to do his bidding: gold and silver and precious stones in abundance, downy couches, ottomans and divans; in short, every-thing to captivate the senses. 'Well! well!!' Said the preacher, 'if this is hell, it is *certainly good enough for me*.' For several days he hugely enjoyed himself far above his expectations, and thought that he would rather be in hell, than on earth, or in heaven.

On the fourth day during a very pleasant interview with his majesty, the preacher observed 'that it was very singular to him that the women were not allowed to mingle in society, as he had seen none since his arrival'.

Sir, said his majesty, '*women are not allowed in this kingdom, they have a kingdom by themselves. No man is allowed to go there, and no woman to come here*'. 'THIS IS HELL!!!' said the preacher, and awoke.

H. W. B.

Correspondence.

Beaver, Sept. 6, 1878.

Editor UNION;

District Court convened on Monday 2nd., Grand Jury organized on Wednesday 4th. The quarterly sermon on polygamy preached by the Judge with unusual zeal. It will probably be taken as a matter of course, and like former discourses of the kind, soon be forgotten. The charge generally considered is said to have been good. I have not heard what amount of business is on the docket, but think there are quite a number of criminal and some civil cases.

A Beaverite.

ST. GEORGE STAKE  
CONFERENCE.

St. George, Saturday, Sept. 14, 10 a. m.

Prest. J. T. D. McAllister Presiding.

Prest McAllister said:—I am glad to see so many of the brethren and sisters out to this Conference. I see here many of the Bishops and some of the High Council. Every officer should be present this morning. I wish to call upon the brethren to give full reports of their Wards, if it takes all the morning. I pray that God may bless us.

Bp John Parker reported Virgen City favorably, then said; We are trying to lay up something for a time of need. When there is such a great plenty and it is not taken good care of, a scarcity has followed. If we are prepared for it, it will not hurt us. "God helps those that help themselves." The righteous have the promise, if they are faithful, of being preserved. I know we are living in a day when great events are taking place. I consider it our duty to prepare for the future. I pray that God may help us to do so, and to cleve to the right.

Elder G. A. Wadsworth reported Panacca doing well. Gave the particulars of the Thompson—Merrill difficulty, which most of our readers, no doubt, have heard of ere this.

Bp. Thomas S. Terry reported Hebron Ward in a thriving condition. Said; It was thought that we could not sustain ourselves at farming, but we have done pretty well this year. I believe Hebron will sustain from 50 to 75 families. Our young men and ladies meet twice a month, and monthly they meet together. I don't know any young men among us that use tobacco or much liquor.

Bp. Charles N. Smith of Rockville said; While listening to my brethren, many reflections have passed through my mind. The earth and all its treasures are in the possession of the evil one, and a state of blindness exists upon the face of the earth. The spirit of the gospel is to wrest this earth from him, and make it into a place of happiness—a paradise. All men who 'are not willing to take up the sword against his neighbor, must needs flee to Zion,' for the people in Zion will be the only ones that will not be at war, one with another.

I wish the influence could be extended to keep our boys from swearing, drinking, carousing &c. Our young people sometimes choose such company to the sorrow of their parents. Notwithstanding the influence of parents, some children will get into the street and do as they see others do.

Our crops are an average: fruit is abundant. Crops appear to be abundant everywhere this year. Bread is plenty and easily obtained. The best of flour can be bought in Sanpete for one dollar and fifty cents per hundred.

Saturday, 2 p. m.

Much time was occupied in reading Stake reports, and hearing from elders from various settlements.

Bp. Robert Knell of Pinto said; Last Sunday night (Sept. 7,) we had a frost that killed our corn. We have had excellent crops this year.

I cannot find fault with boys using tobacco when their fathers use it.

Brother Young once gave the elders, high priests &c. the office of special police over themselves, to see that they did no wrong.